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2017 BOYS / GIRLS OUTDOOR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

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THE OUTDOOR TRACK TOURNAMENT INFORMATION IS ARRANGED IN TWELVE (12) SECTIONS

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ALERT
BOYS / GIRLS TRACK COACHES

REMINDER: Contestants officially become competitors when they report to the clerk of course or field event judge for an event in which they are entered. Coaches are encouraged to continue to scratch any competitor before the meet to help expedite the flow of the meet.

PLEASE NOTE: A competitor shall not compete in more than three (3) events, including relays. An athlete shall not be entered in more than three (3) events, excluding relays. (For example, an athlete may be entered in the 4 x 800, 1600, 3200 and 4 x 400 but can only run or be a competitor in three (3) events.)

ALERT – THIS IS NOT A RULE CHANGE AND HAS BEEN IN EFFECT FOR THE INDOOR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS AS WELL AS PREVIOUS OUTDOOR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Any athlete who competes in three (3) events at any of the class meets cannot enter any other event at the Open Championship Meet.

- A coach may not scratch an athlete and assign that athlete to a relay if he/she ran three (3) events (even if he/she did not qualify to advance in one) in the class championship and is also listed as an alternate on a relay.
- Athletes who are listed as alternates, may run only if they ran two (2) events or less at the class meet. They too are limited to three (3) events.
- Class championship meets and the State Open championship for purposes of understanding are really one meet. Advancing to the Open is predicated on performance at the class meet. No athlete who competes in three (3) events at a class meet may change to an event in the Open.

REMINDER:

Any contestant on the tournament roster may not be entered in more than three (3) events excluding relays. A competitor shall not compete in more than three (3) events including relays. **A contestant becomes a competitor when he/she reports to the clerk of course.**

For all relays, coaches must list four runners and may list up to four alternates along with those runners from the tournament roster. Relay teams report with signed declaration sheets when called to the clerk of course. **Any coach who changes a contestant on a relay for the State Open must report to the clerk of course to attest to the alternate runner's eligibility. Changes in original order are allowed.** (Two sets of relay sheets will be available at each site – one given to coaches and one extra if a sheet is lost.)

“Any competitor who participates in three events at the class meet is ineligible to compete in any other event at the State Open Meet.”

Note: For the 3200 meter run, only two (2) heats will be contested no matter the number of entries. Heats will be assigned by time by the Director.

DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES IS THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017, by 12:00 p.m., at which time verifications will be sent to the AD and coach e-mail addresses on file. School officials must check verification form for errors and report errors to CIAC immediately via an online support ticket (this is the only channel for submitting corrections; no phone corrections will be accepted). Seeded meet programs will be posted on the web site on Friday, May 26, 2017 by 3:30 p.m. Absolutely NO ENTRIES OR CORRECTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE SEEDED PROGRAMS ARE POSTED.

Please pay particular attention to the Decathlon, Heptathlon, Steeplechase, and Hammer Throw information. The Track Committee has included all information pertaining to these events into separate packets.

There will be separate gates for spectators and athletes/coaches. Only athletes listed on the entry form will be admitted free. Additional team members will need to enter and pay at the spectator gate.

Tents should not be positioned on the ground or in the bleachers in a manner that impedes the view of spectators. Please limit tent set-up to the last row of bleachers on the straightaway side, or the bleachers opposite the straightaway.

All boys and girls relays will have a minimum standard to qualify for all Class Championship Meets.

All field events in all State Championship Meets will now have a 10 minute check-out limit. Athletes should not check-out before necessary. (Note: During the preliminary rounds of the field events, an athlete has the option to request to the judge to take more than one trial in succession. The judge has right to determine if this request would create an unfair advantage and deny the request.)

ATHLETES MAY NOT USE A RUBBER DISCUS IN COMPETITION.

Schools are REQUIRED to submit individual qualifying performances within 7 days of achieving the standard. The site and date of the performance must also be entered. These performances will be available for viewing on the CIAC web site. **Relay teams will have to meet qualifying standards. Coaches need to report the best qualifying standard during the season. Relay teams, like all other entries MUST be placed on the state qualifying form. Relay times must be submitted on the CIAC online eligibility center justification by the May 25, 2017 deadline.** Coaches must bring their verification form to the Class Championship Meet.

NOTE: No individual will be allowed entry into Class Championship competition unless the school has previously entered that individual on the qualifying list by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2017.

An area will be provided for a designated coach for pole vault.

NOTE: A copy of the pole vault weight certification form MUST be given to the pole vault official by a coach at the start of EACH of the Class, Open, Decathlon, and New England Meets.

Scrimmages – Teams must have a minimum of three (3) days of practice prior to scheduling a full team scrimmage. All sports teams and individual athletes must have a minimum of ten (10) physical/exertional practice days with their school before the date of the first scheduled competition. No team/athlete shall practice/compete with their school more than six (6) consecutive days to provide a day of rest. Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays may be used unless prohibited by local board policy. Sunday practices may be counted to fulfill the 10 day requirement.

The “intent-to-enter” form has been eliminated.

Strict Adherence to Minimum Qualification Standards for the Class Meets – Coaches are responsible for insuring that all athletes who compete in the class meet have achieved (not come close to) the minimum qualifying standard in a regular meet (not a scrimmage or practice).

Relays for the New England Championships – Relay competitors may be changed for the New England Championships as long as he/she meets the three (3) event limitation rule for the day.

Any irregularities noted on the on-line performances reported to the CIAC this season should be reported to either the chair of the Outdoor Track Committee, Donn Friedman – donn@cnesspa.org – Telephone (860) 416-1884 or Steve Wysowski – swysowski@casciac.org – Telephone (860) 329-2055.

Tournament Rosters / Entry / Officials – Can be submitted on the Eligibility Center or the submit scores/forms option under the CIAC for coaches menu at CIACsports.com.

Reporting Regular Season Scores – All regular season scores must be entered online on the day of the meet as soon as possible following the meet’s completion.. Scores may be entered via the Online Eligibility Center, the “submit scores/forms” option of the CIAC for Coaches menu at ciacsports.com, or the “submit scores” button in our ciacmobile.com mobile site. Entering scores at coacsports.com or ciacmobile.com requires either a coaches or scorekeeper’s access code, those codes are managed via the Online Eligibility Center and can be retrieved from a school’s athletic director.

Students With Special Needs – Coaches are reminded to inform contest officials prior to each competition of any student with special needs who could be competing in the contest when his/her disability could impact the individual's performance or the conduct of the competition.

CIAC Tournament Site Media Policy – The CIAC places tremendous value on the role the media plays in promoting and highlighting high school sports. To that purpose CIAC tournament venues and hosts should make every effort to provide a working environment conducive to all media (print, broadcast and internet based) covering our events. The following are **minimum standards**, developed in consultation with the CIAC Media Advisory Committee, which should be provided for working media at all CIAC tournament sites.

1. A minimum of one hour following the conclusion of post-game interviews to write in the press box, press area or a suitable facility in close proximity to the site of the event (i.e. office, classroom, etc.).
2. Access to electric power (shared power strip, etc.).
3. Access to wireless internet service.

Site directors should communicate these requirements to any staff person who may be responsible for the administration of the event. If for some reason a site will not be able to provide these items for a contest, a site representative should inform the CIAC in advance and work with the media on site before the game and work to provide a reasonable solution to the issue. Members of the media who will be covering events are directed to contact the appropriate site as far in advance as possible to inform them they will be at the event and discuss what arrangements will be made for working media at the site.

Unmanned Aerial Systems at CIAC-Sanctioned Events – The use of unmanned aerial systems, often referred to as drones, is prohibited for any purpose by any person(s) at all CIAC-sanctioned events. This policy includes not only the restricted playing area of the venue(s), but also the physical confines of the entire stadium / field / arena structure. For the purposes of this policy, an unmanned aerial system is any aircraft without a human pilot on board.

SPORTSMANSHIP -- Member schools are expected to conduct their relations with each other at all levels of competition in a spirit of good sportsmanship. Everyone involved has the obligation to see clearly his/her influence and act accordingly. The CIAC acknowledges that the school administration is responsible for the athletic program, including the making of broad and specific policies and procedures relating to sportsmanship and the conduct of activities in the school. To that end, the CIAC urges each school principal to adopt the following sportsmanship procedures and standards for their school and to champion the "Class Act" sportsmanship program as these standards will be used in all CIAC post-season contests.

CIAC Sportsmanship Guidelines

- The CIAC request that all school personnel – administrators, faculty, and coaches – give special and specific emphasis about CIAC's expectations for good sportsmanship during the regular season as well as CIAC tournaments requiring that athletes and members of the student body conduct themselves in a manner that reflects nothing but credit upon your school. Any unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of students and adults is unacceptable and will be addressed with strong and appropriate measures.
- The CIAC sportsmanship standards should be as widely disseminated as possible using the student-parent handbook, student-athlete handbook, school newspaper, parent newsletter, school web site and the local media.
- The CIAC sportsmanship standards for spectators should be read by PA announcers prior to each contest.
- The CIAC sportsmanship standards of conduct be prominently posted at all sports venues.
- When event programs are provided, the CIAC sportsmanship standards be included.
- Member schools require having athletes, parents/guardians, sign an acknowledgement which would show that they have read the student-athlete handbook and understand the CIAC sportsmanship standards.
- Member schools work with community officials to insure that levels of the CIAC sportsmanship standards are enforced when contests are held at their school and at non-school facilities.
- The CIAC and the CIAC sports committees insist the CIAC sportsmanship standards be rigorously enforced at all regular season contests and at all CIAC tournament contests. This is particularly important when contests are held at non-school sites.

- Member schools will conduct a pre-season meeting with student-athletes, coaches and parents to review the CIAC sportsmanship standards.
- Member schools should communicate with opposing schools and inform them they are a “Class Act School” and provide them with the CIAC sportsmanship standards which will be strictly adhered to.
- Member schools hosting a game should make available to visiting schools necessary game information – includes directions for parking, location of ticket booths, seating arrangement, ticket prices, game time, directions for each game site.
- Member schools hosting a game should designate specific seating areas for students, bands, adults and visitors. If possible, opposing student bodies should be separated.
- Member schools hosting a game should arrange for adequate police supervision.
- When possible the member schools hosting a game should assign officials to dressing facilities separated from both teams. Provides escorts for the officials when it appears that disturbances may develop.
- Member schools should take measures to prevent fans from getting near or on the playing area and around the players benches. After the contest, prevents fans from going onto the playing area.
- Member schools should provide for adequate supervision of students and facilities. Supervisors should sit in the stands with the students.
- **Member schools should support and adhere to ALL the following CIAC standards.**

The CIAC “Class Act” Sportsmanship Standards

ALL Spectators (including parents):

- Will adhere to the host school’s acceptable dress code at all home and away contests commensurate with classroom behavior. For CIAC tournament contests all spectators will be appropriately attired with their torso completely covered and with no visible degrading or demeaning writings/logos.
- Any signs displayed must be positive in nature, reference only the school supported by the sign maker, and must be pre-approved by the Athletic Director of the school reference in the sign.
- During outdoor sports, no air horns or horns of any kind or whistles will be used, and any other noisemakers will be allowed with the host athletic director’s approval and only be used during “dead ball” situations to celebrate good play. During indoor sports, no noisemakers will be used. Pep bands are allowable at a home contest if the school provides adult supervision and the band only plays during “dead ball” situations.
- Spectators will cheer positively to support their team, will not cheer negatively against the opponent.
- Spectators will show respect for the game officials and their decisions.
- Spectators will show respect for the playing of the National Anthem.

Game Personnel / Announcers:

- Will explain and consistently enforce host school expectations for spectators.
- Will be enthusiastic but not show favoritism while making announcements, and never publicly question or criticize the players, coaches, or officials.
- Will encourage respect for the National Anthem and remind spectators to remove caps and stand.

Coaches

- Will exemplify high moral character, behavior and leadership, lead by example, and set a standard for players and spectators to follow both on and off the athletic arena.
- Will teach players the rules of the game and to respect the game, and will take action when athletes exhibit poor sportsmanship.
- Will respect the integrity and judgement of officials and will not publicly criticize or question the decisions of officials.
- Will be aware of the competitive balance of contests and will manage the score in a manner that is sportsmanlike and respectful of opponents.

Players:

- Will accept the responsibility and privilege the student-athlete has in representing their school and community by learning and showing teamwork, sportsmanship and discipline in all aspects of the game.

- Will demonstrate respect for self, coach, teammates, opponents, officials and spectators by exhibiting good character and conducting themselves as a positive role model.
- Will win and lose graciously.
- Will cheer for your team, not against your opponent.
- Will congratulate opponents in a sincere manner following either victory or defeat.

2017 NFHS Track and Field Rule Changes

- 3-2-4u NEW The games committee should have responsibility for providing liquids during the race and not leave this duty to each coach.
- 3-6-1, 3-4-7 Signifying with a bell with one lap remaining in the 800 alerts timers, place judges and FAT operators on notice, builds excitement for spectators and is a positive signal for the competitors. Updates to current trends in the sport.
- 3-6-1 The authority to disqualify a runner for a false start should be extended by rule to the starter as well as the referee.
- 3-10-7 Clarifies field event judge’s protocol for signifying the performance result when flags are not being utilized.
- 4-3-1b(5),
8-6-1b(4) Removes the NOTE limiting the placement of the American flag to one piece of uniform apparel as this is contradictory to the rule.
- 4-6-5 NEW Although uncommon that appropriate health-care professionals are not available to assist an injured/ill competitor, there may be occasions when a competitor is needing assistance to confirm his/her health status or to arrive to a location for health care. Should another competitor assist, such competitor shall not be disqualified, only the assisted competitor shall be disqualified for not completing the race unassisted. Reorganize rule to indicate why competitor is disqualified.
- 4-6-5h NEW The rule should include coverage of the actions of competitors and nonparticipating team members as well as assistance/aid from other parties.
- 5-1-3 In the absence of a curb, the placement of cones ensures the competitors run the prescribed race distance.
- 5-6-4 The results of running events are based on head-to-head competition and all contestants should have the opportunity to compete in the heat earned by the athlete’s place and/or qualifying times. Consistent with current trends in the sport.
- 5-7-3 Reinforces the concept that distance races (800, 1600 or 3200) only use a standing start. Consistent with current trends in the sport.
- Rules 6 & 7 Reorganizes Rules 6 and 7 into one rule “Field Events” to avoid duplicity in the rules, remove unnecessary language, be more concise in the presentation of the events rules and create a section on general rules for all field events.
- 6-2-6 For purposes of risk management, warm-ups in a field event may not take place until the venue is declared open and required supervision is in place. For further risk minimization for athletes, spectators and officials involved in the event, athletes should be prohibited from picking up an implement and doing turns while other competitors are completing their throws or using the runway during the competition unless they have been called for their attempt.

- 6-2-10 Clarifies how trials are recorded when a legal implement breaks during competition. More appropriate to list within rule rather than a NOTE.
- 6-7-9e The top or sides of the stop board are outside of the ring and touching outside of the ring is not compliant with leaving from the back half of the circle and is a foul.
- 7-2-1 The NFHS rules allow several special events to be added to the order of events but no specific event rules are written. By utilizing USATF Youth event rules, there are standard rules which are age-appropriate. However, state associations may already have appropriate rules in place and this should be an option stated in the rules.
- 8-1-3b Clarifies that either directional flags and/or sign posts shall be used in cross country.
- 9-2-2,
3-17-2 Officials need guidance as to where to place the wind gauge when there are multiple takeoff boards. As the rule is currently written, it implies either having to move the wind gauge between jumps or having a second gauge. As the better jumpers will most likely use the farther board, it is logical to have the wind gauge at the location farthest from the pit.

2017 Major Editorial Changes

- 3-4-4 Clarifies the referee has the sole authority for ruling on irregularities not covered within the rules.
- 6-4-8 Clarifies the three consecutive passed heights must take place before the competitor attempts a jump.
- 7-5-15 Clarifies when the two minutes of warm-up jumps are permitted when a competitor has passed three consecutive heights with no attempted jump.
- 8-7-a-f Reorganized actions resulting in a disqualification for clarity.

2017 Editorial Changes

4-6-1 NOTE 1, 4-6-1 NOTE 2, 5-10-9, 5-10-11, 6-1-5, 6-5-11, 6-5-15, 6-10-f

2017 Points of Emphasis

1. Sportsmanship
2. Heat Acclimatization and Preventing Heat Illness
3. Use of Rubber Discus in Practice and Competition
4. NFHS Track and Field Uniform Regulations

2017 BOYS / GIRLS OUTDOOR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

1.0 **DIVISIONS**

- 1.1 Only institutional members of the Conference may enter this tournament which will be in five (5) divisions. Placement of schools has been based on the 2015-16 grade 9-12 boy or girl enrollment.

Boys:	LL – 773 and over	Girls:	LL – 741 and over
	L – 586 – 772		L – 555 – 740
	MM – 420 – 585		MM – 427 - 554
	M – 291 – 419		M – 280 - 426
	S – up to 290		S – up to 279

Tournament divisions are available on the outdoor track page at ciacsports.com.

2.0 **DATES / SITES / MEET DIRECTORS**

- 2.1 Member schools may start practice on, but not before Saturday, March 18, 2017.
- 2.2 Member schools may hold the first meet on, but not before Saturday, April 1, 2017.
- 2.3 **TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017 -- CLASS L CHAMPIONSHIP** – Boys & Girls – at Manchester High School -- Field events start at 3:00 p.m. and running events start at 3:00 p.m. (All scratches encouraged by 2:15 p.m.)
Meet Director – Rich Kosta, Fitch High School, 101 Groton Long Point Road, Groton, CT 06340 School (860) 449-7200 / Home (860) 572-3973 / rkosta@groton.k12.ct.us
- TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017 – CLASS M CHAMPIONSHIP** – Boys & Girls – at Willow Brook Park, New Britain – Field events start at 3:00 p.m. and running events start at 3:00 p.m. (All scratches encouraged by 2:15 p.m.)
Meet Director – James Thompson, 14 Great Plain Road, Norwich, CT 06360
Cell (860) 608-7145 / jtstrider@sbcglobal.net
- 2.4 **WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2017 – CLASS MM CHAMPIONSHIP** – Boys & Girls – at Willow Brook Park, New Britain – Field events start at 3:00 p.m. and running events start at 3:00 p.m. (All scratches encouraged by 2:15 p.m.)
Meet Director–Carl Reichard, East Lyme High School, 30 Chesterfield Rd, O Box 210, East Lyme 06333 School (860) 739-1481 / Home (860) 572-9426 / carl.reichard@eastlymeschools.org
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2017 -- Class LL Championship** – Boys & Girls – at Manchester High School - Field events start at 3:00 p.m. and running events start at 3:00 p.m. (All scratches encouraged by 2:15 p.m.)
Meet Director – Bill Baron, 29 Apple Tree Lane, South Windsor, CT 06074
Home (860) 644-1264 / billbtcc@aol.com
- 2.5 **THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2017 -- CLASS S CHAMPIONSHIP** – Boys & Girls – at Willow Brook Park, New Britain – Field events start at 3:00 p.m. and running events start at 3:00 p.m. (All scratches encouraged by 2:15 p.m.)
Meet Director – Richard Luke, East Hampton
Home (860) 508-3462 / rluke144@aol.com

- 2.6 **MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2017 – CIAC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** – Boys & Girls – at Willow Brook Park, New Britain -- Field events start at 1:30 p.m. and running events start at 2:00 p.m. (All scratches encouraged by 1:15 p.m.)
Meet Director – Bill Baron, 29 Apple Tree Lane, South Windsor, CT 06074
Home (860) 644-1264 / billbtcc@aol.com
- 2.7 **SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 2017 -- NEW ENGLAND BOYS AND GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS** – At Norwell (MA) High School
Information to be distributed at State Open
- 2.8 **TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017 AND WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017 -- CIAC Decathlon, Hammer Throw and Steeplechase and Heptathlon** – at Willow Brook Park, New Britain (Separate section)
- Girls Heptathlon – June 13 (11:30 a.m.), June 14 (11:00 a.m.)
Boys Decathlon – June 13, 14 (11:00 a.m.)
Girls Hammer Throw – June 13 (2:30 p.m.)
Boys Hammer Throw – June 14 (2:30 p.m.)
Girls Steeplechase – June 13 (3:30 p.m.)
Boys Steeplechase – June 14 (3:30 p.m.)

3.0 **ENTRY PROCEDURE**

- 3.1 **Schedule Form** – None required in boys or girls outdoor track
- 3.2 **Change of Division Form** – Not permitted in boys or girls outdoor track
- 3.3 **Site Availability Form** – None required in boys or girls outdoor track
- 3.4 **Entry Procedure** – Entry form must be submitted via the password protected online eligibility center by Thursday, May 25, 2017 by 12:00 p.m. Failure to do so will result in disqualification. Entrants not listed will not be allowed to compete. This includes alternates. **AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT COMPETE IN MORE THAN THREE (3) EVENTS.**

Directions for Entering Athletes – Complete the following steps:

- 1) Contact your school person responsible for entering CIAC athletic events.
 - 2) Enter your roster from your CIAC eligibility list.
 - 3) Enter your athletes into the event's qualifying performance form.
 - 4) Be certain to enter the athlete's name and qualifying performance for each event you wish to enter.
 - 5) Example – Running event – 400 meters of 56 seconds will be entered at 5600.
Example – Field event – Shot put of 42 feet, 6, and one half inches will be entered as 42-06.50.
 - 6) Print your verification copy and bring it to the meet.
 - 7) Submit the form to the CIAC.
 - 8) Check the CIAC web site for errors. (www.ciacsports.com)
- 3.5 **Entry Fee** -- \$8.00 per individual entered with a minimum of \$85, whichever is greater. This must be mailed to the CIAC office, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410. **DON'T TAKE THE ENTRY FEE TO THE MEET IT WON'T BE ACCEPTED.** Make check payable to CIAC.
- 3.6 **Late Entry Policy**
- No tournament entries will be accepted after the established deadline (Thursday, May 25, 2017) except those approved by the CIAC Board of Control.

- Corrections requested by a school to an entry form that was submitted by the established deadline but prior to seeding / pairing data being published on the web site, will be assessed a fee of \$50 per correction to a maximum of \$250. (No entry or late fee will be accepted beyond 3:30 p.m. on Friday, May 26, 2017.)
- All requests for corrections must be submitted on a support ticket via the online eligibility center. No phone request will be considered.

Tournament Regulation Violations – If a school fails to comply with tournament regulations and such requires the CIAC tournament sports committee, central office staff, or the CIAC Board of Control to redo any portion of the tournament pairings or such non-compliance adversely impacts the management of the tournament, an administrative violation fee of \$500 will be imposed upon the school before entry into the tournament will be allowed.

3.7 **Qualifying Standards** – Only those competitors who have equaled or bettered in regular season competition the qualifying marks listed in the section entitled “Qualifying” are eligible to enter the championship meets. Please adhere to this regulation. **Please note that relay teams MUST meet qualifying standards.**

3.8 **Coaches Meeting** – The coaches meeting will begin 30 minutes prior to the start of ALL State Meets.

4.0 **EXPENSES / TICKETS**

4.1 Schools will bear all traveling expenses.

4.2 Charges for Class and State Open Championships will be: * Subject to change depending on venue
 Free – Children five (5) and under
 \$5.00 – Senior citizens (age 65 and older)
 \$5.00 – Students (Grades 1-12)
 \$5.00 – Military veterans with I.D. / in uniform with I.D. - Free
 \$10.00 – Adults (All others not in the above categories)

4.3 During the Championships, the following passes will be honored at all sites.
 1) Head varsity outdoor track coach may request IN WRITING ONLY from CIAC .
 2) Principal (or designee) of participating schools with CAS membership card.
 3) Press Card – No other complimentary admissions will be permitted.
 4) Athletic directors of participating schools.
 5) CIAC track officials membership card.

5.0 **FORFEITS**

5.1 When it is discovered that an ineligible competitor participates in a CIAC individual type tournament / meet / match, the competitor will be disqualified from the competition and his/her last opponent will advance in his/her place. Teammates of the ineligible competitor, except relay teammates, remain in the competition and score points for their team. Team points earned by the ineligible competitor will be subtracted from his/her team’s total score. Team rankings will be readjusted if warranted. Opponents eliminated prior to the last opponent may not re-enter the tournament. This applies to the following CIAC sports: swimming, wrestling, indoor track, outdoor track, tennis, cross country and golf.

6.0 **OFFICIALS**

6.1 An assigner will be responsible for hiring and assigning officials, judges, timers, scorers, starters, inspectors, umpires, etc., in accordance with the numbers and types listed in the most current CIAC Handbook.

6.2 Automatic timing will be provided by a timing service which has been hired to service all Class Championships and the Open Meet.

7.0 PROTESTS

7.1 Each meet director will establish a jury of appeal consisting of five (5) members whose purpose will be to adjudicate all protests relating to the decisions made by the referee. The judgment of the Jury of Appeals is final and binding unless there is a challenge to the application of due process.

7.2 Protests submitted to the Jury of Appeals must be submitted 30 minutes from the time the results have been announced and entered on the Protest Form included in the packet of information. The form may be found as Appendix C.

7.3 On the eve of a tournament when there is not sufficient time for normal administrative procedures and Board of Control hearings, if a question of interpretation of tournament regulations or the operation of the tournament arises, the Chairman of the CIAC Board of Control, the Executive Director of CIAC, and the Chairman of the Tournament Committee in question will make an appropriate ad hoc decision in consideration of the best interest of the tournament as a whole.

7.4 **Decisions by Game Officials** – Protests arising from the decisions, interpretations and misapplication of the National Federation or CIAC game rules by officials during the contest must be in accordance with the NFHS rules and the CIAC protest procedure stated in the packet. Protests will not be considered after the official conclusion of the meet. The decisions and interpretations of the rules by the officials are final. The record of the official scorekeeper at the conclusion of the contest is final unless an error is discovered. Such error shall be corrected as covered by specific contest rules. Any team leaving the contest area before the conclusion of the contest because of dissatisfaction with the officiating will render the school liable to disciplinary action by CIAC.

The record of the official scorekeeper at the conclusion of the contest is final unless an error is discovered. Such error shall be corrected as covered by specific contest rules.

Any team leaving the contest area before the conclusion of the contest because of dissatisfaction with the officiating will render the school liable to disciplinary action by the conference.

8.0 QUALIFYING

8.1 To be eligible for CIAC Class Championship competition, **each competitor must have achieved the following time, distance or height in a regular season meet.**

Boys	LL		L		MM		M		S	
	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>
110M H	16.7	16.94	16.7	16.94	17.0	17.24	17.5	17.74	17.7	17.94
300M Int H	43.0	43.24	43.0	43.24	43.5	43.74	44.0	44.24	45.0	45.24
100M	11.5	11.74	11.5	11.74	11.6	11.84	11.6	11.84	11.7	11.94
200M	23.8	24.04	23.8	24.04	24.1	24.34	24.1	24.34	24.3	24.54
400M	53.5	53.74	53.5	53.74	53.8	54.04	53.8	54.04	54.0	54.24
800M	2:05.5	2:05.74	2:05.5	2:05.74	2:06.5	2:06.74	2:06.5	2:06.74	2:07.5	2:07.74
1600M	4:39	4:39.24	4:39	4:39.24	4:44	4:44.24	4:48	4:48.24	4:48	4:48.24
3200M	10:10.0	10:10.24	10:20	10:20.24	10:30	10:30.24	10:45	10:45.24	10:50	10:50.24
4 x 100	46.3	46.54	46.3	46.54	46.5	46.74	47.0	47.24	48.0	48.24
4 x 400	3:40	3:40.24	3:40	3:40.24	3:43	3:43.24	3:45	3:45.24	3:48	3:48.24
4 x 800	8:50	8:50.24	9:00	9:00.24	9:00	9:00.24	9:10	9:10.24	9:20	9:20.24

Boys	LL	L	MM	M	S
Long Jump	20'	19'6"	19'	19'	19'
Triple Jump	39'6"	39'6"	39'	39'	38'6"
High Jump	5'10"	5'10"	5'8"	5'8"	5'8"
Shot	41'	41'	41'	41'	40'
Discus	115'	115'	115'	115'	115'
Javelin	140'	140'	140'	140'	135'
Pole Vault	11'	11'	10'6"	10'6"	10'

Girls	LL		L		MM		M		S	
	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>FAT</u>
100M H	17.5	17.74	17.8	18.04	17.8	18.04	18.0	18.24	18.0	18.24
300M Int H	51.5	51.74	51.5	51.74	52.5	52.74	53.0	53.24	53.5	53.74
100M	13.3	13.54	13.3	13.54	13.4	13.64	13.4	13.64	13.5	13.74
200M	28.0	28.24	28.0	28.24	28.5	28.74	28.5	28.74	28.7	28.94
400M	63.8	64.04	64.5	64.74	65.0	65.24	65.0	65.24	65.0	65.24
800M	2:30	2:30.24	2:32	2:32.24	2:32	2:32.24	2:32	2:32.24	2:35.5	2:35.74
1600M	5:40	5:40.24	5:40	5:40.24	5:45	5:45.24	5:50	5:50.24	5:50	5:50.24
3200M	12:30	12:30.24	12:30	12:30.24	12:40	12:40.24	12:50	12:50.24	13:10	13:10.24
4 x 100	54.5	54.74	54.5	54.74	55.0	55.24	55.0	55.24	55.5	55.74
4 x 400	4:25	4:25.24	4:25	4:25.24	4:30	4:30.24	4:30	4:30.24	4:35	4:35.24
4 x 800	11:00	11:00.24	11:00	11:00.24	11:15	11:15.24	11:20	11:20.24	11:30	11:30.24
Long Jump	15'		15'		14'10"		14'10"		14'6"	
Triple Jump	32'		32'		32'		31'		30'	
High Jump	4'8"		4'8"		4'8"		4'8"		4'8"	
Shot	30'		30'		30'		30'		29'	
Discus	85'		85'		85'		85'		85'	
Javelin	90'		90'		90'		90'		85'	
Pole Vault	8'6"		8'6"		8'0"		8'0"		7'6"	

NOTE: An individual competitor may not compete in more than three (3) events. An athlete who competes in three (3) events in the class meet cannot run in any other event in the Open. If you have more than three (3) qualifiers in any event, the coaches may enter all athletes who qualify within the three event limitation. Each school may enter one relay team per school composed of four individuals and no more than four (4) alternates. An athlete shall not be entered in more than three (3) events excluding relays. (For example, an athlete may be entered in 4 x 800, 1600, 3200, and 4 x 400 but can only run or be a competitor in three (3) events.)

Note: Only two (2) heats of the 3200 will be contested at all levels for both boys and girls. Heats will be seeded based on time by the Meet Director.

- 8.2 Qualification for the State Open Championship is as follows: (a) top five (5) finishers in Class LL, L, MM, M and S divisional championships; (b) all competitors who meet the automatic qualifying standard. The standard will approximate the eighth place finish established in the previous State Open Championships.
- 8.3 In the Class and Championship Meets, competitors in the shot, discus, javelin, triple jump and long jump, the three (3) trials and three (3) finals will be observed. The top nine (9) advance to the final round. **ALL JUMPS AND THROWS WILL BE MEASURED.**

8.4 **State Open Championships** – Automatic qualifying standard (marks) (from divisional championships)

<u>Boys</u>		<u>Girls</u>	
100m	11.10	100m	12.60
200m	22.70	200m	26.14
400m	50.0	400m	59.50
800m	1:57.5	800m	2:19
1600m	4:26	1600m	5:11.00
3200m	9:30	3200m	11:12
110m H Hurdles	15.30	100m Hurdles	15.7
300m Int. Hurdles	40.1	300m Hurdles	47.0
Triple Jump	44'	Triple Jump	34'8"
Shot Put	48'6"	Shot Put	35'6"
Discus	136'	Discus	105'
Javelin	161'	Javelin	113'
Long Jump	21'	Long Jump	15'8"
High Jump	6'2"	High Jump	5'2"
4 x 100m	44.0	4 x 100m	50.0
4 x 400m	3:25.0	4 x 400m	4:04.00
4 x 800	8:11	4 x 800	9:40
Pole Vault	13'0"	Pole Vault	10'

8.5 **Advancement from the CIAC Class Championship to the CIAC Open Championship is predicated on the competitor's performance in the Class Championship Finals (excluding trials in running events).** Advancement to the New England Championship is predicated on the competitors performance in the CIAC Open Championship. The top six finishers in the Open Championship will advance to the New England Championship. The 7th, and 8th place finishers only will be considered as alternates. Athletes who qualify for the New England Championship must declare 15 minutes after the conclusion of the last event or alternates will be designated. **(Note: Any athlete who competes in three (3) events at any of the class meets cannot enter any other event at the Open championship meet. -- See alert page)**

9.0 **RANKING / SEEDING**

- 9.1 Team scoring is 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1 for an eight lane track. Ties will be scored according to National Federation guidelines. Eight place scoring will occur only when an 8 lane track is used. Otherwise six place scoring 10-8-6-4-2-1 will be used.
- 9.2 In the State Open seeding will be done from the performance of the athletes at the Class Meets.
- 9.3 All seeding will be done electronically.

10.0 **SUPERVISION / SPORTSMANSHIP**

- 10.1 An athlete may not compete in the tournament **unless accompanied by his coach or a PROPERLY CERTIFIED REPRESENTATIVE** of the school **designated by the principal in writing**. Coaches are expected to provide proper supervision for their athletes and spectators during all meets.
- 10.2 **Electronic Sound Equipment** such as radios, stereos and tape players and all cooking equipment such as grills and barbecues as well as other distractions are prohibited from the meet area.
- 10.3 Safety is an emphasis at all CIAC events. Many events are potentially dangerous if proper precautions are not observed. The following will be strictly enforced:
 - a. **SPECTATORS MAY NOT BE ON THE FIELD AND MUST REMAIN IN THE ASSIGNED SPECTATOR AREAS.**

- b. Contestants, not actually competing, must remain in assigned areas.
- c. Jumpers and throwers may not practice or compete without adult supervision present.
- d. Implements are to be secured immediately following the completion of the event and any athlete throwing the implement thereafter will be disqualified from the event (rule 6-2-12).
- e. Standards and crossbars are to be removed immediately upon completion of the event.

10.4 **COACHES AND ATHLETES ENTERED IN THE MEETS ARE TO REMAIN IN THE AREA DESIGNATED FOR THEM. VIOLATORS ARE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION. THIS RULE WILL BE RIGIDLY ENFORCED.**

10.5 When a member school’s coach is ejected from a meet for an infraction as prescribed by the rules, the school may not continue until the member school replaces the ejected coach with a certified coach. If this cannot be accomplished within 15 minutes after the ejection, the official in charge will declare the school disqualified.

10.6 Use or possession of tobacco products or alcoholic beverages of any kind, including champagne, are not permitted on the field of competition or within the stands, or parking lot at which a tournament game is scheduled.

10.7 All equipment must pass inspection at the meet according to National Federation Rules, and the shot, javelin and discus must be made available for any competitor. All implements will be weighed, measured and balanced during the registration period (and only at that time). Athletes using non-certified equipment will be disqualified. In the event the weighing of implements is not available, the meet director may designate competition implements which become the common property of all competitors during the competition.

The 8 lb. shot is still **NOT** acceptable (girls track).

THE SHOT, DISCUS AND JAVELIN ARE TO BE IMMEDIATELY SECURED FOLLOWING THE EVENT AND ANY ATHLETE THROWING THE IMPLEMENT THEREAFTER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

11.0 **TIME OF MEETS**

11.1 All the combined class meets will start at 3:00 p.m. at Willow Brook Park and Middletown High School. Coaches meetings will start at 30 minutes prior to the start of all state meets.

11.2 The combined Open Meet will start at 1:30 p.m.

11.3 The field events for Class Meets at Willow Brook Park, New Britain and Middletown High School will begin at 3:00 p.m. and the running events begin at 3:00 p.m. The field events for the Open Meet begin at 1:30 p.m. and running events begin at 2:00 p.m.

12.0 **TOURNAMENT RULES / PROCEDURES**

12.1 **Order of Events – Combined State Championships**

Boys 4 x 800	Final
Girls 4 x 800	Final
Boys 4 x 100m Relay	Final
Girls 4 x 100m Relay	Final

Boys 110m Hurdle	Semi
Girls 100m Hurdle	Semi
Boys 100m Dash	Semi
Girls 100m Dash	Semi
Boys 1600m Run	Final
Girls 1600m Run	Final
Girls 100m Hurdle	Final
Boys 110m Hurdle	Final
Girls 100m Dash	Final
Boys 100m Dash	Final
Boys 400m Dash	Final
Girls 400m Dash	Final
Boys 300m Hurdle	Final
Girls 300m Hurdle	Final
Boys 800m Run	Final
Girls 800m Run	Final
Boys 200m Dash	Final
Girls 200m Dash	Final
Boys 3200m Run	Final
Girls 3200m Run	Final
Boys 4 x 400m Relay	Final
Girls 4 x 400m Relay	Final

Order of Field Events – (Starting simultaneously – will be the same at Middletown , and Willow Brook Park.) **All field events in all State Championship Meets will now have a ten (10) minute check-out limit.**

Boys Javelin followed by Girls Javelin
 Girls Discus followed by Boys Discus
 Boys Shot followed by Girls Shot
 Boys High Jump followed by Girls High Jump
 Girls Long Jump followed by Triple Jump
 Boys Long Jump followed by Triple Jump
 Girls Pole Vault followed by Boys Pole Vault (or simultaneously)

NOTE: Meet Directors will assign jumping pits in the best interest of meet management.

- 12.2 **Class Meets** – All classes – High jump and pole vault starting heights will be pre-determined by the CIAC meet director for the respective meet. No performance will be measured below the minimum standard.
- 12.3 The 100m and 110m hurdles will be run twice, semis and finals. All other races are timed finals. All the championship meets will be automatically timed. **IN THE CLASS MEETS, THE FASTEST EIGHT TIMES IN THE SEMIS WILL ADVANCE TO THE FINALS.**
- 12.4 **Relay Entry Rule** – All competitors listed on the Electronic Entry Form are the only athletes who may be listed as runners or alternates on relay teams. Coaches must be careful not to allow competitors to exceed the three (3) event limit.

The Entry Form used in the CIAC Class Championship will determine those eligible to compete in the CIAC Open Championship. As a relay team advances from the Class Championship to the Open Championship, only those runners and alternates whose names appear on the original Entry Form will be eligible to compete in that relay event, no one else. *An athlete who competes in three (3) events in a Class Meet can only compete in those three (3) events in the Open if they advance. Failure to advance in one of*

- the three (3) events from the Class Meet to the Open does not allow the athlete to choose a relay if listed as an alternate.* For teams qualifying for the New England Championship, coaches will be permitted to change the relay lineup to include any competitor who is on their state meet eligibility list, provided the athlete does not violate the three event limitation rule at the New England Championship meet.
- 12.5 In the throwing events and the long jump, the number of flights will be governed by the number of entries. In the high jump, the five alive method will be used. In the pole vault, the “five alive” method will be used.
- 12.6 Contestants officially become competitors when they report to the clerk of the course or field event judge for an event in which they are entered. Coaches are still urged to scratch any contestant before the meet in order to expedite the meet.
- 12.7 ***National Federation rules for uniforms will be strictly enforced.***
- 12.8 Please have competitors dressed for participation on arrival at the meet. Dressing facilities will not be provided.
- 12.9 Championship and runner-up trophies will be awarded at each meet. Medals will be awarded for the first six (6) places in all events.
- 12.10 **Middletown High School** -- Lavatories are available, ¼ Pyramid or Xmas tree spikes or less. The javelin runway surface is the same as the track surface. Flats recommended for discus and shot put. **NO COMPETITORS WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE BUILDING.**
- 12.11 **Willow Brook Park** – Restrooms are available inside the concession area inside the stadium. No competitors will be permitted in the high school building. ¼ inch or smaller Pyramid or Xmas tree spikes are approved for use. The Willow Brook Park Stadium has two (2) horizontal jumping pits, two (2) pole vault pits, and the javelin runway surface is the same as the track surface. Flats are recommended for discus and shot put. Only certified officials and competing athletes will be allowed inside the track area.
- 12.12 Teams arriving before dismissal time at any school should not enter the building.
- 12.13 **Teams are responsible for team equipment and personal items. Neither the facilities, meet management, nor CIAC assume any responsibility for lost or stolen items. Teams should monitor their own areas as items have been stolen in the past.**
- 12.14 Coaches may be requested by the meet director to furnish competent officials to assist in the direction of the meet.
- 12.15 All meets shall be governed exclusively by the National Federation Rules. All decisions of the boys/girls track committees relative to the operation of this tournament shall be final.
- 12.16 It is the athlete’s responsibility to be aware of the rules governing his/her event and conduct him/herself accordingly. It is also his/her responsibility to promptly report to his/her event.
- 12.17 **Competitor’s Gate** – Athletes and coaches listed on the entry form will be admitted to the competition area via a competitor’s gate at each site.
- 12.18 **An area will be provided for a designated coach for pole vault.**

APPENDIX A

2017 OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD MEETS

PROTEST REPORT

___ Boys ___ Girls

Name of Meet _____ Date _____

Meet Director _____ Site _____

Event _____ Athlete's Name _____

School _____

Reason for Protest:

Rule/Procedure in Question (Cite Federation Rule Book):

Coach's Desired Outcome:

Signature of Coach _____

Signature of Meet Director _____

Signature of Chairman of Jury of Appeals _____

Decision of the Jury of Appeals:

APPENDIX B

2017 BOYS / GIRLS OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD MEETS

DISQUALIFICATION REPORT

Meet _____ Location _____

Date _____ Event _____ Heat Number _____

Name of Participant _____ Number _____

Color of Shirt / School Name _____ Lane Number _____

Infraction _____

Signature of Reporting Official _____

Referee's Decision _____

Signature of Referee _____

APPENDIX C

CIAC OFFICIAL 2017 OUTDOOR TRACK POLE VAULT WEIGHT CERTIFICATION FORM

___ Boys ___ Girls

School _____ Town _____

<u>Vaulter's Name</u>	<u>Certified Weight</u>	<u>Date</u>
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

WEIGHT CERTIFICATION SHOULD NOT OCCUR PRIOR TO MAY 15

Name of School Medical Official _____ Date _____

Name of Coach _____ Date _____

Name of Principal _____ Date _____

The principal certifies that the information contained on this form is accurate.

Principal's Signature _____ Date _____

NOTE: A COPY OF THIS FORM MUST BE GIVEN TO THE POLE VAULT OFFICIAL AT THE START OF THE CLASS, OPEN, DECATHLON, AND NEW ENGLAND MEETS.

For your convenience, make FOUR (4) copies of this form for these three meets.

APPENDIX D

CONNECTICUT INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

2017 BOYS DECATHLON INFORMATION SHEET

DATES / SITES / MEET DIRECTORS

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – 100m, Long Jump, Shot Put, High Jump (starts at 5'), 400m
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 – 110m Hurdles, Discus, Pole Vault (starts at 8'6"), Javelin, 1600m

The competition will start at 11:00 a.m. each day with check-in at 10:30 a.m.

Willow Brook Park, New Britain

Meet Director: A.J. LaPlant – East Hartford High School – (860) 462-1315
Email -laplant.aj@easthartford.org

ENTRY PROCEDURE

1. Entry Fee – The entry fee for the decathlon is \$25 per individual. The entry fee should be made payable to CIAC and mailed to the CIAC office, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410.
2. Submit entry form via the password-protected online eligibility center by Tuesday, June 6, 2017. Entries submitted later than midnight, Tuesday, June 6, 2017 will be rejected.
3. Entry Limitations – Only two (2) entries are allowed per school. A third entry from a single school will be allowed **if all three (3) can score 4600 points.**

GENERAL

1. Entry Limitations – Athletes should be predicted to score about 400 points in all events. Only two (2) entries are allowed per school. A third entry from a single school will be allowed **if all three (3) can score 4,600 points.**
2. The decathlon will be conducted under the regulations established by the International Amateur Athletics Federation (IAAF) and scored as per the IAAF scoring tables adopted in 1962. The following exceptions will be in effect: **Shot and discus will use high school implements and hurdles will be 39"**.
3. An athlete may not compete in the tournament unless accompanied by his coach or a properly certified representative of the school **designated by the principal in writing**. Coaches are expected to provide proper supervision for their athletes and spectators during all meets.
4. The top 32 scorers from day one plus anyone scoring 2,500 or more points will advance to the Wednesday competition.
5. Awards – The first six finishers in both events will receive medals with the winners being named Connecticut High School Champion in the respective events.
6. **The high jump will increase in 3-5 cm. increments depending on the number of entrants.**
7. **Pole vault will increase in 10-15 cm. increments.**

APPENDIX D

CONNECTICUT INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

2017 GIRLS HEPTATHLON INFORMATION SHEET

DATES / SITES / MEET DIRECTORS

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – 100m Hurdles, High Jump (starts at 4'), Shot Put, 200m
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 – Long Jump, Javelin Throw, 800m

The competition will start at 11:30 a.m. the first day with check-in at 11:00 a.m. On the second day competition will start at 11:00 a.m. with the check-in at 10:30 a.m.

Site: Willow Brook Park, New Britain

Meet Director: James Thompson, Windham High School – Cell (860) 608-7145 / Work – (860) 465-2372
Email – jtstrider@sbcglobal.net

ENTRY PROCEDURE

1. Entry Fee – The entry fee for the heptathlon is \$25 per individual. The entry fee should be made payable to CIAC and mailed to the CIAC office, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410.
2. Submit entry form via the password-protected online eligibility center no later than midnight, Tuesday, June 6, 2017. Entries not submitted by midnight, June 6, 2017 will be rejected.

GENERAL

1. Entry Limitations – Athletes should be predicted to score about 400 points in all events. Only two (2) entries are allowed per school. A third entry from a single school will be allowed **if all three** can score 3,000 points.
2. The heptathlon will be conducted under the regulations established by the International Amateur Athletics Federation (IAAF) and scored as per the IAAF scoring tables adopted in 1986.
3. An athlete may not compete in the tournament unless accompanied by his coach or a properly certified representative of the school **designated by the principal in writing**. Coaches are expected to provide proper supervision for their athletes and spectators during all meets.
4. The top 32 scorers from day one, plus anyone scoring 1,850 or more points, will advance to the Wednesday competition.
5. Awards – The first six finishers in both events will receive medals with the winners being named Connecticut High School Champion in the respective events.
6. **The high jump will increase in 3-5 cm. increments.**

APPENDIX E

CONNECTICUT INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

2017 CIAC BOYS AND GIRLS STEEPLECHASE INFORMATION SHEET

DATES / SITES / MEET DIRECTORS

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – Girls
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 – Boys

Site: Willow Brook Park, New Britain

Meet Director: Rich Kosta, Fitch High School, 101 Groton Long Point Road, Groton 0340
School (860) 449-7234 / Home (860) 572-3973 / Email – rkosta@groton.k12.ct.us

The Girls Steeplechase will start at 3:30 p.m.
The Boys Steeplechase will start at 3:30 p.m.

The race length will be – Girls – 2,000 meters
The race length will be – Boys – 3,000 meters (or 2,000m)

Seeding will be based on submitted 3,200 meter times achieved during the 2017 outdoor track season. PLEASE DO NOT USE OR TRY TO ESTIMATE STEEPLECHASE TIMES.

Minimum standards are: **Boys – 10:50 for 3,200 meters**
 Girls – 12:40 for 3,200 meters

ENTRY PROCEDURE

1. Entry Fee – The entry fee for the steeplechase is \$25.00 per individual. The entry fee should be made payable to CIAC and mailed to the CIAC office, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410
2. Entries must be submitted via the password-protected online eligibility center by Wednesday, June 7, 2017. Entries submitted later than midnight, Wednesday, June 7, 2017 will be rejected.
3. **Boys may be assigned to 2,000m heats based on seed time. Athletes assigned to 2,000m heats are not eligible for awards.**

GENERAL

1. No athlete may compete in the decathlon / heptathlon and hammer throw or steeplechase. However, an athlete may compete in the hammer throw and the steeplechase if they so desire.
2. An athlete may not compete in the tournament unless accompanied by his/her coach or a properly certified representative of the school **designated by the principal in writing**. Coaches are expected to provide proper supervision for their athletes and spectators during all meets.
3. Awards – The first six finishers in both events will receive medals with the winners being named Connecticut High School Champion in the respective events.
4. Strict International Rules will be in effect.

APPENDIX F

CONNECTICUT INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

2017 CIAC BOYS AND GIRLS HAMMER THROW INFORMATION SHEET

DATES / SITES / MEET DIRECTORS

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – Girls
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 – Boys

Site: Willow Brook Park, New Britain

Meet Director: Girls – Carl Reichard, East Lyme High School - (860) 739-1481 / Home (860) 572-9426
Email – carlreichard@eastlymeschools.org
Boys – Tim Kolodziej, Brookfield High School – (203) 241-7894
Email – throws.r.us@gmail.com

The Hammer Throw will start at 3:30 p.m. each day.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

1. Entry Fee – The entry fee for the hammer throw is \$25.00 per individual. The entry fee should be made payable to CIAC and mailed to the CIAC office, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410.
2. Submit entry form via the password-protected online eligibility center by Wednesday, June 7, 2017. Entries submitted later than midnight, Wednesday, June 7, 2017 will be rejected.
3. Standard: Boys – 100 feet Girls – 80 feet

(Must have reached this distance in practice. **Throws in the competition will not be measured below 90 feet for boys and 70 feet for girls.**)

GENERAL

1. No athlete may compete in the decathlon / heptathlon and hammer throw or steeplechase. However, an athlete may compete in the hammer throw and the steeplechase if they so desire.
2. An athlete may not compete in the tournament unless accompanied by his/her coach or a properly certified representative of the school **designated by the principal in writing**. Coaches are expected to provide proper supervision for their athletes and spectators during all meets.
3. Awards -- The first six finishers in both events will receive medals with the winners being named Connecticut High School champion in the respective events.
4. Strict International Rules in regard to taping and gloves will be in effect.

**Connecticut State Department of Education and the
Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference
Concussion and Head Injury
Annual Review 2016-17
Required for ALL School Coaches in Connecticut**

NOTE: This document was developed to provide coaches with an annual review of current and relevant information regarding concussions and head injuries. In addition to reviewing this form, the annual review must include one of the following prescribed resources: Connecticut Concussion Task Force video, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports training course or the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) concussion training course. Links to these resources can be found at: <http://concussioncentral.ciacsports.com/>. A new form is required to be read, signed, dated and kept on file by their associated school district annually to comply with Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) Chapter 163, Section 149b: *Concussions: Training courses for coaches. Education plan. Informed consent form. Development or approval by the State Board of Education.*

What is a Concussion? -- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) - "A concussion is a type of traumatic brain injury, or TBI, caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head that can change the way your brain normally works. Concussions can also occur from a blow to the body that causes the head to move rapidly back and forth." -CDC, Heads Up: Concussion http://www.cdc.gov/headsup/basics/concussion_whatish.html

Even a "ding," "getting your bell rung," or what seems to be mild bump or blow to the head can be serious" -CDC, Heads Up: Concussion Fact Sheet for Coaches http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/pdf/Fact_Sheet_Coaches-a.pdf

Section 1. Concussion Education Plan Summary

The [Concussion Education Plan and Guidelines for Connecticut Schools](#) was approved by the Connecticut State Board of Education in January 2015. Below is an outline of the requirements of the Plan. The complete document is accessible on the CSDE Web site: <http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/cwp/view.asp?a=2663&q=335572>

State law requires that each local and regional board of education must approve and then implement a concussion education plan by using written materials, online training or videos, or in-person training that addresses, at a minimum the following:

1. The recognition of signs or symptoms of concussion.
2. The means of obtaining proper medical treatment for a person suspected of sustaining a concussion.
3. The nature and risks of concussions, including the danger of continuing to engage in athletic activity after sustaining a concussion.
4. The proper procedures for allowing a student athlete who has sustained a concussion to return to athletic activity.
5. Current best practices in the prevention and treatment of a concussion.

Section 2. Signs and Symptoms of a Concussion: Overview

A concussion should be suspected if any one or more of the following signs or symptoms are present, or if the coach/evaluator is unsure, following an impact or suspected impact as described in the CDC definition above.

Signs of a concussion may include (i.e. what the athlete displays/looks like to an observer):

- Confusion/disorientation/irritability
- Trouble resting/getting comfortable
- Lack of concentration
- Slow response/drowsiness
- Incoherent/ slurred speech
- Slow/clumsy movements
- Loses consciousness
- Amnesia/memory problems
- Acts silly/combative/aggressive
- Repeatedly ask same questions
- Dazed appearance
- Restless/irritable
- Constant attempts to return to play
- Constant motion
- Disproportionate/inappropriate reactions
- Balance problems

Symptoms of a concussion may include (i.e. what the athlete reports):

- Headache or dizziness
- Nausea or vomiting
- Blurred or double vision
- Oversensitivity to sound/light/touch
- Ringing in ears
- Feeling foggy or groggy

State law requires that a coach MUST immediately remove a student-athlete from participating in any intramural or interscholastic athletic activity who: a) is observed to exhibit signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion following a suspected blow to the head or body, or b) is diagnosed with a concussion, regardless of when such concussion or head injury may have occurred. **Upon removal of the athlete, a qualified school employee must notify the parent or legal guardian within 24 hours that the student athlete has exhibited signs and symptoms of a concussion.**

Section 3. Return to Play (RTP) Protocol Overview

Currently, it is impossible to accurately predict how long an individual’s concussion will last. There must be full recovery before a student-athlete is allowed to resume participating in athletic activity. Connecticut law now requires that no athlete may resume participation until they have received written medical clearance from a licensed health care professional (physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse (APRN), athletic trainer) trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.

Concussion Management Requirements:

1. No athlete SHALL return to participation in the athletic activity on the same day of concussion.
2. If there is any loss of consciousness, vomiting or seizures, the athlete MUST be immediately transported to the hospital.
3. Close observation of an athlete MUST continue following a concussion. The athlete should be monitored for an appropriate amount of time following the injury to ensure that there is no worsening/escalation of symptoms.
4. Any athlete with signs or symptoms related to a concussion MUST be evaluated by a licensed health care professional (physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse (APRN), athletic trainer) trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.
5. The athlete MUST obtain an initial written clearance from one of the licensed health care professionals identified above directing her/him into a well-defined RTP stepped protocol similar to the one outlined below. If at any time signs or symptoms return during the RTP progression, the athlete should cease activity*.
6. After the RTP protocol has been successfully administered (no longer exhibits any signs or symptoms or behaviors consistent with concussions), final written medical clearance is required by one of the licensed health care professionals identified above for the athlete to fully return to unrestricted participation in practices and competitions.

Medical Clearance RTP protocol (Recommended one full day between steps)

Rehabilitation stage	Functional exercise at each stage of rehabilitation	Objective of each stage
1. No activity	Complete physical and cognitive rest until asymptomatic. School may need to be modified.	Recovery
2. Light aerobic exercise	Walking, swimming or stationary cycling maintaining intensity ,<70% of maximal exertion; no resistance training	Increase Heart Rate
3. Sport specific exercise No contact	Skating drills in ice hockey, running drills in soccer; no head impact activities	Add Movement
4. Non-contact sport drills	Progression to more complex training drills, ie. passing drills in football and ice hockey; may start progressive resistance training	Exercise, coordination and cognitive load
5. Full contact sport drills	Following final medical clearance, participate in normal training activities	Restore confidence and assess functional skills by coaching staff
6. Full activity	No restrictions	Return to full athletic participation

* If at any time signs or symptoms should worsen during the RTP progression the athlete should stop activity that day. If the athlete’s symptoms are gone the next day, she/he may resume the RTP progression at the last step completed in which no symptoms were present. If symptoms return and don’t resolve, the athlete should be referred back to her/his medical provider.

Section 4. Local/Regional Board of Education Policies Regarding Concussions

***** Attach local or regional board of education concussion policies *****

I have read and understand this document and have viewed the prescribed resource material. I understand that state law requires me to immediately remove any player suspected of having a concussion and to not allow her/him to return to participation until she/he has received written medical clearance by a licensed health care professional trained in the evaluation

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2. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. *Heads Up: Concussion in High School Sports*. http://www.cdc.gov/NCIPC/tbi/Coaches_Tool_Kit.htm.
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Resources:

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